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To Whom It May Concern:

We live in a multi-faceted culture that allows us freedom of expression on issues, beliefs, values, and all else that we hold dear and near to our hearts. Religion has always had a prominence in our society and the fact we can express our faith without fear of persecution is the essence of greatness in America.

Our great government should not regulate to the point of denying our liberty to exercise religious faith in any setting, especially among our most vulnerable of citizens...our children. It is faith in God that builds character and instills the highest values of responsibility, integrity and honesty... assets that are so essential to public school life and life in general.

Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship through our social outreach program, Project Turn•Around, has adopted over 65 public schools in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area. Our impact in the public schools has been so phenomenal that the Dallas Independent School District named us their Volunteer Organization of the Year in 2006.

As such, I wholeheartedly with great conviction support H.B.3678 Texas School Children's Religious Liberty that allows voluntary student-initiated expression of religious viewpoints in public schools. Government should not fear voluntary religious expression in a public school setting, but embrace it. In doing so will not give religion control over government, but will accentuate a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to freely express our religious viewpoint in this great public setting. May God continue to bless our leaders in government!

With Gratitude,

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